

Final State Exam in the English Language

The state bachelor exam consists of a final written test and an oral exam. In order to sit for the oral exam students must pass the final written test, which lasts 4 hours.

The final written test consists of four parts:

1. reading comprehension
2. listening comprehension
3. grammar
4. essay (in this part students may use their dictionaries. The topics of the essays relate to the management of travel and tourism, culture and history of the English Speaking Countries and general topics connected with education.)

The final written exam will be reviewed by two teachers. If students pass the final written test, they may do the oral exam.

The oral exam includes 30 questions about culture and history of the English Speaking Countries.

Final State Exams Topics

1. Culture and History of Pre-Norman England.
2. The Norman England and its Influence on the English nation.
3. The Latter Middle Ages, its History and Culture.
4. Tudor Dynasty and Impact of Renaissance Culture in England.
5. The 17th Century – *The Age of Revolutions* and the Stuarts. The Personality and Work of John Milton Reflected in the Events of the Period.
6. The Industrial Revolution and its Impact on Other Countries in Europe. The 18th Century Literature with Respect to the Historical Events.
7. The Victorian Era, its Political, Social and Economic Changes in Britain. The Victorians and the Changes Reflected in the Literature of the 19th century.
8. Britain in the First Half of the 20th Century. Czech and British Political and Cultural Relations.
9. The British Politics from 1950 up to the Present Days. Modern British Literature and its Topics.
10. British Identity versus the European Union. The British Nature/Character with Respect to Modern British Culture.
11. What Were the Major Contributing Factors to the Rise of the British Empire? What Were the Motivations for Seeking and Empire, and How Did These

Motivations Change over Time? What Were the Major Events from the Age of Discovery until the 18th Century?

12. How Did the British Approach to Governing its Empire Differ from One Continent to Another? What Were Some of the Reciprocal Influences, whether Cultural, Political or Other, between India and the UK? What Were the Major Events of the British Empire in the 19th and 20th Centuries?

13. The Colonization of Canada. Multiculturalism in Canada. Geographical Features, People, Recent History of the Region.

14. North Africa: Maghreb-Libya, Tunisia, Algeria, Morocco (Mauritania); Egypt. Geographical Features, People, Recent History of the Region Based on General African History and Its Consequences for Tourism and Tourist Attractions – Focus on a Chosen Country (Egypt?).

15. West, East and Central Africa. Geographical Features, People, Recent History of the Region Based on General African History and Its Consequences for Tourism and Tourist Attractions – Focus on a Chosen Country (Ethiopia, Congo-Kinshasa, Rwanda?).

16. South Africa. Geographical Features, People, Recent History of the Region Based on General African History and Its Consequences for Tourism and Tourist Attractions-Focus on a Chosen Country (South Africa?).

17. Geographical Features and Economy of India and Their Consequences for Tourism and Tourist Attractions in the Region.

18. Religion and History of India and Its Consequences for Tourism and Tourist Attractions of the Country.

19. Geographical Features, People, History of Australia and Its Consequences for Tourism and Tourist Attractions of the Country.

20. Geographical Features, People, History of New Zealand and Its Consequences for Tourism, Tourist Attractions and Tourism.

21. American Values in Comparison with Ours, the American Dream reflected in the American Literature.

22. Name Some of the Most Significant Events Relating to the History of Native Americans and their Confrontations with Europeans and European Americans.

23. Discuss the Effects Geography Had on the Colonization and Development of the British Colonies in North America.

24. The War of Independence and the Constitution. (What Were the main Events which Led to the American Revolution? What Were the Articles of Confederation? Discuss the Basic Principles of the US Constitution.).

25. Music and Literature of the American Nation.

26. Some of the Causes of the American Civil War and the Results of Reconstruction.

27. The Politics of the U.S.A. in the First and Second World Wars.

28. Discuss the Main Events of the Cold War.

29. The Main Events of the Civil Rights Movement.

30. Modern USA History and its Main Issues.

Přehled povinné literatury ke státním závěrečným zkouškám

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